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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REACTION TO OAU STATES TO ETHIOPIAN EXECUTIONS

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1. AMB. F.M.A. HINAWY, MOFA UNDER SECRETARY FOR AFRICA/OAU, HAS INDICATED GOK WATCHING RECENT ETHIOPIAN DEVELOPMENTS WITH GREAT CONCERN, NOT ONLY EXECUTIONS BUT ALSO APPARENT EMERGENCE OF QTE RADICAL UNQTE ELEMENTS WITHIN PMAC. HE WONDERED WHETHER USG MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING TO COUNTER THIS LATTER TREND.

2. AS FOR DEMARCHE ON EXECUTIONS, HINAWY SAID HE HAD LONG BEEN ARGUING FOR A GOK PLEA ON BEHALF OF EMPEROR, BUT HAD RECENTLY BEEN TOLD TO STOP PRESSING ISSUE. HOWEVER, HE PLANNED TO REVIEW MATTER ONCE AGAIN WITH FOR. MIN. WAIYAKI WHEN LATTER RETURNED FROM TANZANIA AND WOULD KEEP EMBASSY ADVISED.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE HINAWY'S INTEREST, BELIEVE GOK INTERCESSION ON EXECUTIONS UNLIKELY. IN ADDITION TO BEING TRADITIONALLY CAUTIOUS ON SUCH MATTERS, KENYA
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FEELS IT IS IN A PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE POSITION IN THIS

CASE AS NEIGHBOR AND ALLY. ON OTHER SIDE OF
COIN, EXECUTIONS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY DEFER ANY GOK
INITIATIVES TOWARD PMAC AIMED AT IMPROVING RELATIONS.
MOFA OFFICIALS WHO HAD BEEN CONCERNED BY LOW LEVEL
TREATMENT GIVEN ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION IN OCTOB4 -43
NOW SAID
IT WAS PERHAPS A GOOD THING THAT KENYATTA
DID NOT RECEIVE DELEGATION.
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